



MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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At its meeting held April 10, 2007, the Board took the following action:

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Supervisor Yaroslavsky made the following statement:

“The Santa Susana Field Lab, also known as Rocketdyne, is a former rocket and nuclear reactor test site located in Ventura County just west of the Los Angeles County border. This site was used as a rocket- and nuclear-reactor test site by the United States Government and various defense contractors from the 1940's through the 1980's. During its decades of operation, the site produced at least one partial nuclear reactor meltdown (in 1959) and released literally tons of toxic and carcinogenic chemicals that have contaminated the soil, water, and air on and near the Rocketdyne property. Further, a growing body of research is revealing a possible connection between proximity to the Rocketdyne site and the prevalence of cancer and other terminal illnesses among local residents.”

Therefore, on motion of Supervisor Yaroslavsky, seconded by Supervisor Antonovich, unanimously carried (Supervisor Knabe being absent), the Board took the following actions:

1. Went on record in support of Senate Bill 990 (Kuehl), legislation which would require the Santa Susana Field Lab site, also known as Rocketdyne, to meet the Environmental Protection Agency's Comprehensive Environmental Response Compensation and Liability Act cleanup standards, prior to any sale, lease or transfer of all or any part of the property;
2. Instructed the Executive Officer of the Board to send a five-signature letter to Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger and the Los Angeles County Legislative Delegation, urging their active support of this legislation; and

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3. Instructed the County's Legislative Advocates in Sacramento to advocate the County's position on SB 990.

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Letters sent to:

- Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger
- Each Member, Los Angeles County  
Legislative Delegation
- Senator Sheila Kuehl